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Observationes aliquot rariores de Morboſo Liene,
à Spectatiſſimo Domino D. *Nehemia Grew*,
M. D. ac R. S. Socio cum eadem Societate
communicatæ.

Domini Thomæ Sedgwick Mercatoris Londinenſis.
*Filia, decimo quarto ſua ætatis anno ad Operum ac-
cipiſſorum Magiſtram ſe erudiendam contulit. In
quibus adèd miræ fuit Indolis, ut iis ſolis totos dies, eoſque
ferè continuos, per biennium inſumeret. Hinc Melancholi-
cum Temperamentum connatum in morboſum tranſiit: cui
Pallor, Inappetentia, Menſum defectus, atque Tuſſis co-
mitabantur. Et poſt tres annos, gravativus Dolor, in ſi-
niſtro infimoque Latere, qui ad extremum uſque diem per-
ſiſtit, Anno autem ætatis vicesimo ineunte, ex Febre obiit.*

*In aperto Cadavere, Pulmones, Jecur reliquaſque Viſcera,
excepto ſolo Liene, ſana inveni. Hoc vero mirum in mo-
dum auctum & tumefactum; nempe craſſum ſupra duos
digitos; quatuor latum; longum prope decem. Ita ut, cum
Lien Humanum, quoties rectè habet, vix quinque uncias
pendeat; in hac Virgine, quinque & viginti ſuperabat.
Et cum hoc Viſcus, ſicubi agrotet, Tumoribus ſchirroſis &
ſubnigris plerumque indureſcat; hîc è contra, tota ejus
ſubſtantia putreſcens, quendam emittebat fœtorem; molliſ-
que adèd fuit ac digitis palpantibus diſſolubilis, ut videretur
quaſi grumofus ſanguis; atque altera pars à prehensâ alterâ,
etiâ ſuo pondere diſrumperetur. Nihilominus, tam exte-
riùs quàm intus, rubicundo floruit colore, neque ullo Apo-
ſtemate, aut materia verè purulentâ inſciſcebatur.*

*Ex ſolitariis Inſtantiis, non eſt Sapientis δδγμολῆεν.
Licet tamen ut pauliſper inquirendo philoſophemur.*

En-

In hoc Casu, ista Tria sunt consideranda, viz. Vita genus, Ætas, Ætatisque Periodus.

Primo enim à tam diuturna exercendi consuetudine, vix potuit non evenire inæqualis Alimenti distributio. Quemadmodum itaque Ossa, & sæpe Viscera, ex inepta Nutritione, supra modum augmentur in Rhachitide: pariter & hęc Lien, ex eodem Nutritionis vitio, videtur ampliorem molem accepisse.

Præcipuè, cum secundo, hęc vitæ consuetudine usa est illa Virgo, non in præcæctiori ætate, sed florente adhuc adolescentiâ. Exercitia enim necessaria sunt, etiam ad debitam nutritionem: multò magis ad Partium æquale Incrementum.

Tertio, & in illa ipsa ætatis periodo, quâ Menses primo effluere solent. Quibus inde suppressis, vel multùm immixtis, iste sanguis, quem desidiōsa Natura omisit eliminare per consuetas vias, ex parte in Lienem, quasi quoddam diverticulum, rejiciebatur.

Corollarium. Virginibus, nimia Exercitiorum intermissio, imprimis circa finem secundi, aut principium tertii ætatis Septenarii, pessima.

An Account of a Book. Osteologia Nova, or some Observations of the Bones, &c. Communicated to the Royal Society, in several Discourses, Read at their Meetings, by the Learned and Accurate Author, Clopton Havers, M. D. and R. S. Soc. Lond. 1691, Octavo, for Sam. Smith.

THE Author offering to give some Account of the manner, in which the Bones are first formed, supposes, that they, as all the other parts of the Body, are formed in the Egg before the Female is impregnated, and that the Seed of the Male does only put those Particles, which